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FOR THE AMBASSADOR FROM THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

E.O. 12356: DECL:OADR
TAGS: PINS, CN
SUBJECT: TFCM01: TASK FORCE FORMATION TO HANDLE THE
SITUATION IN CHINA

1. CONFIDENTIAL - ENTIRE TEXT

2. THIS IS AN ACTION MESSAGE.

3. ON JUNE 3, 1989, AT 1130 EDT, THE SECRETARY DIRECTED THAT A TASK FORCE BE ESTABLISHED IN THE OPERATIONS CENTER TO DEAL WITH THE SITUATION IN CHINA. TELEPHONE NUMBER FOR THE TASK FORCE ARE 202-647-6530 FOR TASK FORCE BUSINESS, 202-647-6531 FOR PRESS INQUIRIES; AND 202-647-6532 FOR CONSULAR INQUIRIES. THE TASK FORCE CAN ALSO BE REACHED ON THE FOLLOWING SECURE PHONES: STU-111 - (202) 647-6780; KY-71 - KEY - 82566, TEL. - 202-633-9331; KY-3 - 5360; AND THROUGH THE STATE DEPARTMENT INTERFACE ON MLP-1 EXTENSION #2830.

4. THE TASK FORCE IS UNDER THE DIRECTION OF ACTING DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY RICHARD WILLIAMS. THE TASK FORCE INCLUDES REPRESENTATIVES OF THE FOLLOWING BUREAUS AND OFFICES: CA, DS, R, INR, PA, PM, AND EAP.

5. POSTS ARE REMINDED THAT THE TASK FORCE IS THE CENTER OF ALL DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY CONCERNED WITH THIS SITUATION. HENCE POSTS MUST COORDINATE ALL SITUATION MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES WITH THE TASK FORCE.

6. POSTS SHOULD BEAR IN MIND THAT CONSIDERABLE HIGH-LEVEL ATTENTION IS FOCUSED ON THIS SITUATION AND THE OPERATION OF THIS TASK FORCE. THE DEMAND FOR INFORMATION BY A VARIETY OF WASHINGTON AGENCIES, INCLUDING THE WHITE HOUSE, WILL BE CONSIDERABLE.

7. ACTIONS REQUIRED: ALL POSTS: IN ORDER FOR THE DEPARTMENT TO BE AS RESPONSIVE AS POSSIBLE, ALL REPORTING RELATIVE TO THIS SITUATION SHOULD INCLUDE THE SAME INDICATOR WHICH APPEARS AT THE BEGINNING OF THE SUBJECT LINE OF THIS MESSAGE: TFCM01; RPT TFCM01.

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IN ADDITION, BEIJING IS REQUIRED TO UNDERTAKE THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS IMMEDIATELY:

A. CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN THE OPEN DEDICATED LINE TO THE OPERATIONS CENTER AND THE TASK FORCE.

B. BY RETURN MIACI IMMEDIATE CABLE, PROVIDE THE OFFICE AND RESIDENCE TELEPHONE NUMBERS OF ALL COUNTRY TEAM MEMBERS AND OTHER KEY OFFICERS WHO WILL HAVE ACTION RESPONSIBILITY DURING THIS CRISIS.

C. PROVIDE THE TELEPHONE NUMBER AND LOCATION OF ALL SECURE VOICE ASSETS AND WHATEVER OTHER USG COMMUNICATIONS ASSETS LOCALLY AVAILABLE CAN BE USED FOR IMMEDIATE SECURE VOICE COMMUNICATIONS.

D. START A SINGLE, COMPREHENSIVE LOG OF ALL SIGNIFICANT EVENTS AND ACTION ITEMS. THE LOG SHOULD BE ESPECIALLY ATTENTIVE TO REPORTING AND INFORMATION PASSED VIA SECURE AND NON-SECURE VOICE. THE LOG WILL BE FORWARDED TO S/S AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE TASK FORCE.

E. PREPARE A DAILY SITUATION REPORT (SITREP) TO BE SUBMITTED BY 0400 AND 1600 EDT FOR AS LONG AS THE TASK FORCE IS IN OPERATION.

F. REVIEW POST'S EMERGENCY ACTION PLAN. BAKER

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